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March 18, 2019

The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Chair and Members
Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism
The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair and Members
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 414
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Wakai and Nishihara and Members:

SUBJECT: House Bill No. 501, H.D. 2, Relating to Fireworks

I am Acting Assistant Chief Darren Chun of the Regional Patrol Bureau of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports House Bill No. 501, H.D. 2, Relating to Fireworks, in regards to a statewide restriction on consumer fireworks with the exception of special events to be inclusive of a film or theatrical production for which a valid permit has been obtained.

The HPD respectfully supports House Bill No. 501, H.D. 2, Relating to Fireworks.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely

Darren Chun, Acting Assistant Chief

Regional Patrol Bureau

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APPROVED:

Susan Ballard

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MICHAEL P. VICTORINO
Mayor

DAVID C. THYNE
Fire Chief

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The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Chair
Committee on Energy, Economic Development,
and Tourism
The State Senate
State Capitol, Room 407
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Nishihara and Chair Wakai:

Subject: House Bill (HB) 501, House Draft (HD) 2 Relating to Fireworks

I am David C. Thyne, member of the Hawaii State Fire Council (SFC) and Fire Chief of the Maui Fire Department (MFD). The SFC and the MFD support HB 501, HD 2, which proposes to add two exceptions to the current statute that would allow fireworks to be used in movie or theatrical productions with a permit and authorize law enforcement agencies to test, dispose, or destroy illegal fireworks.

Public safety and property protection are primary goals in the county fire departments' fireworks permit approval process. Requiring the movie and theatrical production industry to obtain a fireworks permit would improve the capability for county fire departments to monitor and regulate potentially hazardous activities involving fireworks.

Providing an exception to the fireworks permit requirement and allowing law enforcement agencies to test, dispose, or destroy illegal fireworks should streamline their ability to eliminate potentially hazardous fireworks from the community.

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The SFC and the MFD urge your committees' support on the passage of HB 501, HD 2.

Should you have questions, please contact SFC Administrative Specialist Lloyd Rogers at (808) 723-7176 or lrogers@honolulu.gov.

Sincerely,

DAVID C. THYNE

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Fire Chief



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Aloha Chair Nishihara and Chair Wakai:

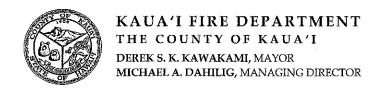
Subject: House Bill (HB) 501 House Draft (HD) 2 Relating to Fireworks

I am Kilipaki Vaughan, Deputy Fire Chief of the Kauai Fire Department (KFD). The KFD supports HB 501 HD 2, which proposes to add two exceptions to the current statute that would allow fireworks to be used in movie or theatrical productions with a permit and authorize law enforcement agencies to test, dispose, or destroy illegal fireworks.

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The KFD urges your committees's support on the passage of HB 501 HD 2.

Should you have questions, please contact me at (808) 241-4980 or via email at kvaughan@kauai.gov

Ke aloha nui,

Kilipaki Vaughan

Deputy Fire Chief

Kauai Fire Department, County of Kauai

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HB-501-HD-2

Submitted on: 3/18/2019 9:52:59 AM

Testimony for PSM on 3/18/2019 2:45:00 PM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jerald E. Farley	Testifying for American Promotional Events, Inc.	Support	Yes

Comments:

Chairman Wakai and Chairman Nishihara and members of the Committees,

American Promotional Events, Inc. is in favor of HB 501 HD2.

Jerald E. Farley